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APPEARANCES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Ms. Margo Brown, Chairperson
- Ms. Rosalie Mul
- Mr. Gary Petersen

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

- Mr. Jeffrey Danzinger
- Ms. Cheryl Peace
- Ms. Pat Wiggins

STAFF

- Mr. Mark Leary, Executive Director
- Ms. Julie Nauman, Chief Deputy Director
- Ms. Marie Carter, Acting Chief Counsel
- Mr. Jim Lee, Deputy Director
- Ms. Holly Armstrong, Staff Counsel
- Ms. Kristen Garner, Executive Assistant
- Mr. Mitch Delmage, Manager, Tire Management Branch
- Mr. Bob Fujii, Supervisor, Remediation & Engineering Technical Services Section
- Mr. Albert Johnson
- Ms. Diane Nordstrom-Lamkin
- Ms. Stacey Patenaude

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Michael Blumenthal, Rubber Manufacturers' Association

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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Good afternoon, everybody. I 3 think we'll just start, just start with a little 4 housekeeping while we're waiting for Member Wiggins to 5 join us. 6 This is the November 7th meeting. Thank you for 7 the adjustments of the Special Waste Committee. There are 8 agendas on the back table. If anyone would like to speak, 9 please fill out a form and bring it up to Kristen, and you 10 will have the opportunity to speak. 11 Remind all of you to turn off your cell phones or 12 pagers if you have them. 13 Do any members have any ex partes to report? 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: I'm up to date, Madam 15 Chair. COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Yes, I just spoke to 16 Mike Blumenthal, but I'm up to date. 17 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Kristen, would you call the 18 19 roll. EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Mulé? 20 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Here. 22 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Petersen? 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Here. 24 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Brown? 25 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Here.

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1 And I would like to acknowledge and thank Member

- 2 Wiggins for being here, and Member Peace.
- 3 On the committee agenda, Item -- Committee Items
- 4 B, C, F, and G have been pulled for future consideration,
- 5 just for your information.
- I now will go to Mr. Lee's Deputy Director's
- 7 Report.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Thank you, Madam chair.
- 9 Good morning, Committee Members. My name is Jim Lee,
- 10 deputy director for the Special Waste Division. Madam
- 11 chair, I have a couple items in my report for this
- 12 morning.
- 13 First of all, I want to kind of talk about last
- 14 week's asphalt rubber conference which was held down the
- 15 Palm Springs, actually, Palm Desert. This three-day
- 16 international conference drew an audience of more than 300
- 17 public officials and scientists from all over the world.
- 18 In addition to visitors from more than a dozen states and
- 19 16 countries, many of California's local jurisdictions
- 20 were represented as well as over 40 Caltrans engineers.
- 21 Concord provided in-depth training and education
- 22 of the latest developments on rubber research and
- 23 technology. Additionally, bus tours were conducted on
- 24 Friday and Saturday of tire recycling facilities and
- 25 rubberized asphalt concrete operations.

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1 Madam Chair, we were pleased that you were able to 2 provide the opening remarks for the conference, which I 3 understand by all accounts were well received. 4 CIWMB staff also included Nate Gauff speaking on 5 asphalt rubber concrete; Stacey Patenaude on tire-derived 6 aggregate; and Boxing Cheng on China markets for 7 tire-derived products. 8 On the China issue, the attendance and involvement of a large delegation from China was especially 9 10 noteworthy. Staff has been approached by and has been 11 trying to cultivate context with people doing business in 12 China as part of our market development activities. China 13 is the biggest developing country in the world having an 14 average economic growth of about 9.4 percent over the last 15 20 years. At least 50 million scrap tires per year are expected to be needed by China for their asphalt rubber 16 pavement and road maintenance needs. And California, as 17 18 the gateway to the Pacific Rim has the potential to 19 address some of this unmet demand. 20 I was only able to attend one of the three days 21 because of the press of other commitments, but I came away 22 with a renewed conviction that the Board is on the right 23 track with our advocacy and the use of RAC as one of the

most desirable and cost-effective available options for

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use of waste tires.

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1 I had the opportunity to meet and listen to 2 representatives from MatTech [phonetic], the Board's 3 contractor on technical related issues on RAC; and 4 representatives from the Southern California Technical 5 Advisory Center, and came away impressed with the level of 6 their knowledge and expertise and their ability to be effective advocates for RAC usage. 8 I also received optimistic reports from them on the progress they are making as part of the Ogilvy team 9 and introducing RAC to local jurisdictions unfamiliar or 10 11 uneducated about its use. I want to take this opportunity to thank Board 12 13 Member Peace for her advocacy for this conference event. 14 I will admit to initial skepticism, concern that the 15 extremely technical nature of the conference format, as originally proposed, would not have wide appeal to a lay 16 17 audience. However, by leveraging our sponsorship role, and 18 19 with Board Member Peace's strong support, changes were 20 made, and an additional RAC application program track was 21 developed, therefore broadening interests in and support 22 for the conference. As I've noted in my earlier remarks,

the end result speak for itself.

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I also want to take this opportunity to thank my

staff for a job well done. Victoria Rocha, Frank Simpson,

- 1 and Mitch Delmage were instrumental in planning logistics,
- 2 and as noted earlier, Nate Gauff and Stacey Patenaude
- 3 contributed their unparalleled expertise to some of the
- 4 technical presentations.
- 5 And for those of you that weren't able to make it
- 6 to the conference and might enjoy some light reading
- 7 material, conference proceedings are available for your
- 8 use.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I have my own copy, thank you.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: On another matter, Madam
- 11 Chair, just wanted again to update you on the Sonoma tire
- 12 sites. I think we've been trying to keep the Board
- 13 appraised [sic] of this in our weekly reports, but I'm
- 14 pleased that progress continues to be made, you know, on
- 15 these sites.
- I think we reported earlier that the tires had
- 17 been removed from the Universal Portfolio site, and a
- 18 recent inspection confirms, again, that the erosion
- 19 control measures are in place; that site has been buttoned
- 20 up for the winter.
- 21 Also, I have been informed, again, that Mr. Don
- 22 Silacci has completed the repairs to his erosion control
- 23 measures that were damaged with the rains last year. So
- 24 again, we're very pleased with that development.
- 25 Also, the Board staff acted very proactively with

- 1 regards to the Flochinni site where, again, there are some
- 2 tens of thousands -- I think 10 to 20 thousand I think was
- 3 my last count on that. But there are issues with slope
- 4 stability issues concerned with that. So we proactively
- 5 used our contractor just to do an initial preliminary
- 6 investigation on the depth of those tires to more
- 7 precisely determine the numbers and the slope stability
- 8 issues with regards to that. And again we completed --
- 9 our contractor has completed its report and we will be
- 10 working with Flochinni and his contractors about this in
- 11 upcoming weeks.
- 12 All in all, I think, again, things are progressing
- 13 very satisfactorily with regards to most of these sites,
- 14 Madam Chair.
- 15 Unless there's comments on either one of these
- 16 issues, I'm prepared to move into today's agenda.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you, Jim.
- 18 I will say, the RPA conference was great, and
- 19 somebody who doesn't have technical experience like
- 20 myself, really enjoyed and found it fascinating.
- 21 Thank you, Cheryl, for your advocacy. You really
- 22 should have been there, because it would have been
- 23 worthwhile for you to see what actually came about after
- 24 all of your advocacy. I think that there were people
- 25 there from 48 different countries, and the next

- 1 conference, I believe, is in China, in three years.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Yes.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: So this isn't something that
- 4 happens annually; it's once every three years, and this is
- 5 only the third one ever to be held, and it was held in
- 6 California. So you will have to go to the next one on
- 7 your own though, probably, because we don't do out of
- 8 country travel very often.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I am just happy to hear that
- 10 it was a success.
- 11 And thank you for making the presentation and
- 12 opening remarks.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I think mine was the least
- 14 technical of all. Caltrans got pretty technical at an
- 15 opening. But it was good. It was very worthwhile, and I
- 16 think we had a lot of Caltrans participation and local
- 17 jurisdictions. So I wish I could have been there longer
- 18 as well.
- 19 Also, I do need to mention for the audience and
- 20 those listening, the Board will go into a closed session
- 21 at the conclusion of this committee hearing today.
- 22 And any other comments from Board members or
- 23 questions for Jim?
- Okay. We will move to Committee Item D, Board
- 25 Item 3.

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1 Jim? 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Thank you, Madam Chair. Committee Item D, Board Item 3, is Consideration 3 4 of Scope of Work for Contract for Engineering Services 5 Regarding Civil Engineering Applications Using 6 Tire-Derived Aggregate. 7 Madam Chair, as we noted in our -- the last 8 five-year plan discussion, we viewed RAC and civil 9 engineering as being the best available options for cost 10 effectively increasing waste tire diversion in the state. 11 Kind of utilizing a baseball analogy, I think the 12 civil engineering applications in particular are kind of 13 like the home run shots. When we get -- you know, they 14 don't come that frequently as frequently as, say, a RAC 15 project, for example. But when we do get them, they 16 deliver, you know, big immediate results. 17 Large numbers of tires are utilized, and there's almost invariably a cost savings that are realized right 18 19 from the outset. We -- we -- in our item today, we are going to 20 21 discuss our plans, again, for increasing the Board's 22 efforts in this particular area through, you know, using a 23 Board contractor. And I will ask Albert Johnson and

Stacey Patenaude to kind of brief you on the details for

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this proposal.

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1 MS. PATENAUDE: Good morning, Madam Chair, members

- 2 of the Board.
- 3 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 4 presented as follows.)
- 5 MS. PATENAUDE: I would like to start off this
- 6 item today to give a brief history of the civil
- 7 engineering program here at the Waste Management Board.
- 8 We started this program at the Board about 1998
- 9 with the original engineering services contract, which was
- 10 awarded to Dr. Dana Humphreys, who is the recognized
- 11 authority in the field.
- 12 For about the next year, Dr. Dana Humphreys and
- 13 myself visited numerous Caltrans districts throughout the
- 14 state of California to introduce TDA to the engineering
- 15 staff of Caltrans. It became apparent quite quickly that
- 16 we were going to do -- need to do something more than just
- 17 rhetoric to get Caltrans to try TDA and civil engineering
- 18 projects. We felt that if we could reduce some of
- 19 unknowns and the financial risks of trying something new,
- 20 that maybe Caltrans would give TDA a try.
- 21 So we made the offer to them, that if the CIWMB
- 22 was to purchase TDA and supply the construction oversight
- 23 for a selected project, would Caltrans be willing to try
- 24 TDA in a project. They said yes.
- So in 2000, we awarded our first construction

- 1 oversight and incentives contract. With this on board,
- 2 Caltrans entered into a memorandum of understanding to use
- 3 TDA in the Dixon Landing Interchange Project which is
- 4 being constructed in Milpitas, California, on Highway 880.
- 5 --000--
- 6 MS. PATENAUDE: The first project was --
- 7 construction started in 2000. It consisted of the
- 8 southbound on-ramp at Dixon Landing. The agreement was,
- 9 the Waste Management Board would supply all the TDA, the
- 10 instrumentation to monitor temperature. That was
- 11 obviously a concern: spontaneous combustion, settlement
- 12 plates, and all construction oversight. The construction
- 13 went without a problem.
- 14 --000--
- MS. PATENAUDE: At about eight weeks, we oversaw
- 16 the placement of 660,000 tires worth of TDA. Three
- 17 suppliers in the state of California were used. We chose
- 18 to help develop not only the technology but the market.
- 19 We wanted to use as many suppliers as possible.
- 20 So material came from Lakin Tire in Santa Fe
- 21 Springs; San Luis Obispo Chicago Trade; and Waste
- 22 Management -- I mean Waste Management Recovery in
- 23 Livermore.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: The project consisted of two

- 1 lifts, and this is the final project. You have probably
- 2 driven by it and didn't even realize that it has one of
- 3 the larger civil engineering applications in the state of
- 4 California.
- 5 Even after the Waste Management Board purchased
- 6 the TDA, the State of California saved \$240,000 over using
- 7 conventional lightweight aggregate. As part of this
- 8 project, Caltrans brought in lightweight aggregate which I
- 9 believe they rail-hauled in from Oregon or Nevada.
- 10 And so we had a direct comparison of costs. This
- 11 material was lighter and considerably cheaper. So this
- 12 was a win for Caltrans, obviously. We are just waiting
- 13 for another project.
- 14 At the same time as we were working on this, we
- 15 were putting together ideas for the future.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: We originally started the
- 18 contract -- we did a brainstorming session to determine
- 19 other applications which would be suitable in California,
- 20 and where any possible use could -- any possible research
- 21 that we could do that could help expand the TDA market in
- 22 California.
- We took the known engineering properties, TDA,
- 24 which is lightweight, permeable, energy-absorbing, and
- 25 then we looked at different civil engineering problems in

- 1 California.
- 2 We came up with two areas we felt were ripe for a
- 3 new engineering solution. One was vibration mitigation
- 4 for light rail systems. Since there has been new federal
- 5 standards which require transit authorities to mitigate
- 6 vibration on new rail systems whenever feasible, the
- 7 second item was TDA used as lightweight backfill behind
- 8 retaining walls. Dr. Humphreys had done a preliminary
- 9 study on this option, but no real field application
- 10 existed.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: So in 1999 we constructed a test
- 13 pad, down in Chicago Grade Landfill. Dr. Humphreys,
- 14 myself, and an acoustical engineer worked for about a week
- 15 to build this and then monitor the vibration dampening
- 16 effect of the tires. We used things like -- instead of
- 17 rail vehicles, we used bulldozers and monitor trucks. But
- 18 the same valuable information was achieved by this.
- 19 When everybody thinks of research, they always
- 20 think of, gee, how much did this cost us? From start to
- 21 finish with the report, this cost us about \$30,000. So it
- 22 was fairly cost effective. I may have almost killed my
- 23 consultants. It was like 107 degrees outside, but we got
- 24 a very good amount of data out of this.
- 25 From this, later on in 2000, the acoustical

- 1 engineer presented this data to the Valley Transit
- 2 Authority and San Francisco Muni. Both of them liked this
- 3 idea. They -- they understood the effectiveness of the
- 4 technology, and they also could see the cost savings.
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- 6 MS. PATENAUDE: Current technology --
- 7 state-of-the-art technology is called the slab and this is
- 8 in excess of \$800 a linear foot to put this stone in
- 9 place, and this is what BART currently uses. It's very
- 10 expensive. It's effective, but it's kind of like the
- 11 Cadillac of vibration mitigation.
- 12 Often, transit authorities can -- do not afford
- 13 this; they choose not to place anything down at all.
- 14 Therefore, the people around the tracks have to deal with
- 15 the vibration.
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- 17 MS. PATENAUDE: As opposed to this technology,
- 18 this is what TDA used in lightweight -- in vibration
- 19 attenuation looks like.
- The trenches are dug about 16 inches, fabric
- 21 replaced. Type A TDA is placed in there. It's spread
- 22 out. It's compacted. And then they place the ballast
- 23 rock and the rail over it. VTA built this section. They
- 24 build four sections, approximately 2000 feet of track,
- 25 without any assistance from the Waste Management Board; no

- 1 financial aid whatsoever.
- 2 They chose this application because it saved them
- 3 money. They saved over a million dollars from it. And we
- 4 just completed monitoring in August of the track, after a
- 5 year in use. And it's continuing to perform just as we
- 6 wanted it.
- 7 Currently, the BART expansion, which is going into
- 8 San Jose, is looking at this technology. We've -- I've
- 9 talked with the acoustical engineers. And they -- we
- 10 actually may need to do a test track in their Hayward
- 11 facility to see if this meets their needs. But this could
- 12 save BART a considerable amount of money with their
- 13 current expansion.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: The second option that we saw
- 16 was -- a great opportunity was retaining walls. We
- 17 immediately started talking with Caltrans structures unit,
- 18 here in Sacramento, about the possibility of researching
- 19 using lightweight fill behind retraining walls to make --
- 20 to take advantage of TDA's low bearing pressure against
- 21 walls.
- 22 Dr. Humphreys had done studies on the university
- 23 campus in May, which shows that TDA placed behind a wall
- 24 could exert half to a third of the pressure.
- 25 So we talked Caltrans into building us a wall, and

- 1 we would supply the tire-derived aggregate and the
- 2 instrumentation.
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- 4 MS. PATENAUDE: This was the first wall which was
- 5 constructed in 2003. It's on Route 91, at University
- 6 Avenue. It's about 200 feet long. And the wall consists
- 7 of pressure cells, gauges, and temperature cells. Not
- 8 only was this a new type of wall. This was state of the
- 9 art as far as instrumentation. Caltrans learned a lot
- 10 from this wall, besides us learning about TDA.
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- 12 MS. PATENAUDE: This is it, under construction.
- 13 It's a very small wall when you consider the entire
- 14 enormity of this project.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: Tires are put down on fabric, then
- 17 they place the soil over the top of it. It's about 68 --
- 18 86,000 tires were used in this project for less than
- 19 200 feet of TDA.
- 20 --000--
- 21 MS. PATENAUDE: This wall was completed, I
- 22 believe, September of 2003. We had another wall on -- on
- 23 the agenda, which we are just now finishing. It took
- 24 quite a while to get to that point with Caltrans.
- 25 --000--

- 1 MS. PATENAUDE: This is wall 207. These pictures
- 2 were taken in September of this year.
- 3 The picture on the left shows part of a wall
- 4 that's completed and then the forms on it and then the
- 5 rebar in it. The -- you can't tell in this picture, but
- 6 that rebar is over an inch in diameter, so it's -- a huge
- 7 amount of steel goes into one of these walls.
- 8 On the picture of the right, you can see those
- 9 concrete blocks that are placed against the form along
- 10 with these sensors. This is where our temperature sensors
- 11 go. This whole wall is filled full of concrete, and then
- 12 the form is taken off and exposed as the pressure cells,
- 13 which you can see here.
- 14 We had to cover everything up with plywood,
- 15 because the contractors had a hard time not destroying
- 16 things.
- 17 This is one of our cabinets that we installed with
- 18 all the computer wear and the data loggers that are
- 19 reporting -- currently, right now, reporting all the data.
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- 21 MS. PATENAUDE: This is a view from the wall, from
- 22 215, if you are driving down the freeway.
- The need for these walls is, Caltrans needs more
- 24 lanes; there's no place to go with the freeway down there.
- 25 This project was -- the original cost estimates were

- 1 \$200 million. With cost overruns, it's approaching
- 2 \$300 million.
- 3 There are a little over four miles of wall on this
- 4 project alone. Our original -- our estimates with this --
- 5 behind this idea is that we could save a hundred thousand
- 6 dollars per thousand feet of wall if we can come up with a
- 7 new type of retaining wall design, and that's even after
- 8 you purchase the tires.
- 9 So this is not only going to use a lot of tires;
- 10 this will save the State of California a tremendous amount
- of money.
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- 13 MS. PATENAUDE: This project used 15 hundred tons,
- 14 or 150,000 tires. The tires came from Lakin Tire, once
- 15 again, and Waste Recovery West in Livermore.
- This is the completed tire cell with the fabric
- 17 wrapped over it, and we are still waiting for the Caltrans
- 18 contractor to place soil on top of this. They have just
- 19 started about a week ago, but they are taking their time.
- 20 This wall will have another retaining wall placed
- 21 on top -- actually, a sound wall placed on top of this.
- 22 But we will be gathering data for this for quite a long
- 23 time.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: Another application -- well, I

- 1 should finish off with that.
- 2 Once the data is compiled, we will be sitting down
- 3 with Caltrans. Actually, the December 20th meeting is
- 4 already scheduled, to sit down and start doing preliminary
- 5 designs for the new type of retaining wall. Caltrans is
- 6 looking for the perfect wall for us right now. They'd
- 7 like a certain length, a certain height wall. But they
- 8 are looking for a wall that could be constructed,
- 9 hopefully next year, which we could try this new design
- 10 on, which would use less steel or concrete, whatever the
- 11 engineers decide would be the -- the most -- biggest cost
- 12 savings.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: Another application that we have
- 15 been active in promoting is TDA and landfill gas
- 16 collection systems. There's two ways they do this. One
- 17 is that the garbage is put in place and they come back and
- 18 trench a trench or they auger a vertical well. Then they
- 19 place aggregate. Normally, we would place a two- to
- 20 three-inch rock in there.
- 21 Aggregate is getting scarcer and more expensive in
- 22 the state of California. So it's a valuable commodity,
- 23 and they have to use a lot of this in the gas collection
- 24 systems.
- 25 --000--

- 1 MS. PATENAUDE: At the very same time we were
- 2 building wall 207, Chiquita Landfill chose to put in their
- 3 landfill -- another phase in the landfill gas expansion
- 4 system, or collection system.
- 5 This is a type A, which is a small material going
- 6 into an open trench. Lakin Tires supplied this material
- 7 to them. Originally we talked to the landfill and asked
- 8 them if they would try it. And Randy Roth was nice enough
- 9 to give the landfill a truckload of material to try it.
- 10 And they found out there was no problem using the
- 11 material. So they agreed to put their next phase of gas
- 12 collection system in using this.
- 13 This is an open trench system. And they found
- 14 that they -- they basically got about a four-to-one
- 15 coverage for the weight. So it was a huge cost savings
- 16 for them. They were able to save money because a ton of
- 17 tires went a lot farther than a ton of rock.
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- 19 MS. PATENAUDE: This application -- during the
- 20 time that this was going on, our project was being
- 21 constructed and then the other, I think, TDF and some
- 22 material going to crumb rubber facilities -- Lakin Tires
- 23 took no tires to Azusa Landfill. So for these two civil
- 24 engineering application projects, all tires stopped going
- 25 to Azusa for those three to six -- I guess it was about

- 1 six weeks.
- 2 So we hope to see that continue. So that was only
- 3 two projects.
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- 5 MS. PATENAUDE: This is another type of
- 6 application. This is a project that -- this is an
- 7 application is currently being used in Altamont Landfill.
- 8 This is before the next cell of garbage goes in over the
- 9 top of this, they basically place a type B shred, which is
- 10 the large shred. That's what we use behind the retaining
- 11 wall.
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- 13 MS. PATENAUDE: They place it down in large piles.
- 14 They put the perforated pipe down. They survey -- what
- 15 Altamont found is if they survey in these long rows, they
- 16 know exactly where they are so that in the future, a
- 17 problem with gas collection systems, you get settlement
- 18 and this perforated pipe shears off, and they lose gas
- 19 production in an area.
- 20 They normally have to come back and drill all
- 21 vertical wells in it and to continue to collect gas. What
- 22 they found with building these large rows of tires in this
- 23 survey, if they lose gas collection in one area, they can
- 24 literally auger down -- it's very easy to see the tires --
- 25 they drop a pipe into that layer of tire, and they can

- 1 start collecting gas again, because the tires are so
- 2 permeable. They don't have to put in nearly as many
- 3 vertical wells. So it's cheaper, and they can just use
- 4 this area again. So they can continue to collect from
- 5 that area.
- 6 All the tires that Shamrock Tire processes goes to
- 7 Altamont's gas collection system, currently.
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- 9 MS. PATENAUDE: We have numerous projects that we
- 10 are looking at for the future and which this contract that
- 11 Albert will talk about in a second would be used for.
- 12 One civil engineering application that has been
- 13 successfully used throughout the state -- I mean,
- 14 throughout the country, but that has not been used in
- 15 California, is landslide repair. California has many
- 16 regions that are really prone to this problem, and it can
- 17 be very expensive to fix it properly. I mean, you will
- 18 see Caltrans fixing their roads year after year after
- 19 year, because fixing it the right way is sometimes very
- 20 expensive. We are currently evaluating a number of
- 21 different projects that we would like to be involved in
- 22 next year.
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- MS. PATENAUDE: The first, obviously, of the
- 25 future projects would be the redesign and the building of

- 1 our new type 1 -- Caltrans is going to call it their 1T
- 2 retaining wall. This is essentially what it will look
- 3 like.
- 4 We hope to be part of that next year, in which we
- 5 would supply the instrumentation and the tire material
- 6 for.
- 7 --000--
- 8 MS. PATENAUDE: This is the first project that
- 9 we're looking at for landslide repair. It's in Mendocino
- 10 County on Marina Drive. We were just out there two weeks
- 11 ago, looking at this.
- 12 This project is an ongoing slide. It failed to
- 13 get FEMA funding after it slipped in January because they
- 14 felt it was a deep-seated slide, and it wasn't a result of
- 15 just that one storm. The County has asked if we can help
- 16 them out, and if there's a possibility, we can use tires
- 17 to solve this problem.
- 18 --000--
- 19 MS. PATENAUDE: Dr. Humphreys and myself and
- 20 another engineer visited this site, and we believe we have
- 21 a very good way to go about fixing this project using
- 22 tires and hopefully solving this problem once and for all
- 23 and saving the County some money.
- 24 The problem is, typically they would just come in
- 25 and fill this with soil again, adding weight to the slide

- 1 which it ends up pushing down the hill again. We would
- 2 dig out the heavy soil, place the lightweight very
- 3 permeable tire-derived aggregate in there, and then place
- 4 the road over the top of it.
- 5 This has been done numerous places, and it's very
- 6 successful. It usually is a permanent fix.
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- 8 MS. PATENAUDE: Another application is in Sonoma
- 9 County. This is in the city of Jenner. The County is
- 10 losing one leg of this residential neighborhood due to a
- 11 slide. This would probably be a culmination of a small
- 12 retaining wall and TDA to fix this project. It's not a
- 13 very large one, but for the County to properly fix it,
- 14 since they are down here -- there's houses -- it could be
- 15 expensive.
- So these projects, you see them in some of these
- 17 neighborhoods, and they sit there for a very long time.
- 18 --000--
- 19 MS. PATENAUDE: So this is a project that we also
- 20 are going to talk to Sonoma County about possibly
- 21 attempting to fix.
- --000--
- MS. PATENAUDE: This is a project that, to our
- 24 surprise and delight, Caltrans contacted about us about it
- 25 on Monday. This is a project on Highway 101, near

- 1 Redcrest, on the Eel River. Once again, it's a slide that
- 2 they've actually closed two lanes of Highway 101 due to
- 3 the slide.
- 4 They -- their engineers have actually recommended
- 5 using tire-derived aggregate on their own, and they've
- 6 drawn this up. They came to us, asking if we could supply
- 7 assistance as far as construction assistance for the
- 8 installation of this. This project is slated to be
- 9 constructed in 2008. And this would be kind of a
- 10 combination retaining wall and a slide project. And it
- 11 would probably be the first application like this.
- 12 The nice thing is that Caltrans engineers
- 13 recognized the characteristics of TDA and identified this
- 14 project all on their own.
- That pretty much sums up my presentation.
- 16 If you have any questions, I would be happy to
- 17 answer them. If not, Albert can present the item.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you very much. I
- 19 appreciate that, Stacey. Very thorough.
- Does anybody have any questions?
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: No, I would just like
- 22 to say amazing. Very creative. Good stuff, Stacey. You
- 23 guys are great.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Looks like we've come a long
- 25 way when Caltrans would come to us with a project they

- 1 want to do -- you know, TDA project they want to do.
- 2 MS. PATENAUDE: Something that was surprising is
- 3 that at the AR conference, we had people from Portugal,
- 4 Spain, and I've had people from France call us to get
- 5 information from studies we have done. Vibration
- 6 mitigation will probably be used all over the world,
- 7 because it is so cost effective.
- 8 But Spain talked with me for over an hour, and
- 9 they are trying to develop their own civil engineering
- 10 program and they didn't know how to overcome the hurdles
- 11 that we are still overcoming. But you know, we haven't
- 12 gotten there, but we are a lot farther along than a lot of
- 13 people in the world. And most people understand that this
- 14 is one of the most cost effective reuses for large
- 15 quantities of tires. So this is just the start.
- 16 Hopefully this will solve the tire problem in California.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Is there any outreach to the
- 18 private sector railroad community with the vibration
- 19 mitigation information?
- 20 MS. PATENAUDE: Yes. Our consultant, Wilson Eric,
- 21 just competed the study. They are finishing the final
- 22 report. We will ask them to publish in a transportation
- 23 journal. And then there is a large transportation
- 24 conference every year. They will present their findings
- 25 at that conference.

26 1 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Great. Very good. 2 Congratulations. 3 I guess we'll go to Albert, then. 4 MR. JOHNSON: Good afternoon, Madam Chair, members 5 of the committee, and Board members that are present. 6 This item is for Approval of the Scope of Work for 7 Continued Use of TDA and Civil Engineering Applications. 8 This contract will supplement our efforts on the projects that Stacey's just identified here, that we have 9 upcoming in the future. Currently, we have a contract 10 11 with SCS engineers. That doesn't have enough funding for these future projects that we have identified. It appears 12 13 we need about \$400,000 based on our estimates to complete 14 these projects, and we have about 350,000 available. 15 And the SCS contract will expire May 2008. Although this contract has the flexibility to work with 16

17 various public agencies and municipalities of Caltrans, we

18 want to focus our efforts on the counties that don't have

19 sufficient funding to repair their landslides, like these

20 couple of projects that Stacey's pointed out. Most of

21 those are rural counties, so we're going to focus on them.

22 And if the Board approves the scope of work, an

23 RFQ will be issued probably in a month or two, and we'll

be back in the springtime, 2007, for approval of the 24

25 contract.

- 1 This contract is for a total of a million and a
- 2 half dollars of 06/07 funds as identified in the Five-Year
- 3 Plan.
- 4 And staff is recommending approval of Resolution
- 5 2006-208.
- If you have any questions, I would be happy to
- 7 answer them.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I do.
- 9 Does anybody else?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Yeah, I have some.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I will let Gary start.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Okay. We got
- 13 1.5 million in this? And this is just for one contractor
- 14 that's going to do this?
- MR. JOHNSON: Yeah.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Now, are we limited in
- 17 the use of materials, buying materials to do these
- 18 projects? Is there a limitation?
- 19 MR. JOHNSON: Do you mean --
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I mean, for buying,
- 21 like, TDA.
- MR. JOHNSON: Yeah, we would use these funds to
- 23 buy TDA. We have that -- that's one of the options. We
- 24 can buy TDA. We can do some design work if we need to
- 25 with this contract, although the SCS contract will do most

- 1 of that.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: So we're not limiting
- 3 ourselves with the Five-Year Plan with the one contractor?
- 4 That's one of my questions.
- 5 MR. JOHNSON: No.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Okay. Great. Thank
- 7 you.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: This is an 06/07 allocation.
- 9 Is there an additional allocation line-itemed for 07/08
- 10 also? I read that this is an annual allocation of. So is
- 11 there another allocation that would come next year as
- 12 well?
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Yeah, I will ask my staff to
- 14 correct me if I'm wrong, here, but, yes, there is an
- 15 additional allocation. But this is one of the ones where
- 16 you want to see how it works out. You know, there was an
- 17 original thought about trying to do this as a grant
- 18 program. Again, as we tried to make clear in the item, we
- 19 think it's still a little premature for grant programs in
- 20 the local jurisdictions for these projects. We would like
- 21 to keep and maintain control over them during this
- 22 particular period, and feel we can best accomplish that
- 23 through the use of contractor.
- 24 So that's one of the reasons why we didn't, you
- 25 know, try and bundle in both years' allocations. But we

- 1 can come back to the Board subsequently for future year
- 2 allocations to allocate those.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Well, my question is, and it
- 4 alludes a little bit to it in here, and Albert, the SCS
- 5 contract has about 400 thousand left in it, or 350?
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: About 350, yeah.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: And these applications for
- 8 these projects are projected just over that. And I'm
- 9 wondering why we're allocating the full \$1.5 million to
- 10 this one contract when we don't even anticipate that we're
- 11 going to need even half of that.
- 12 And would that tie our hands and encumber these
- 13 funds for an enormous amount of time, that this contract
- 14 is going to go until -- is this the May 2008 or SCS is May
- 15 of 2008? When would this -- this contract would be
- 16 encumbering these funds into '09.
- 17 MR. JOHNSON: That's correct. But we also
- 18 anticipate having additional projects. These are just
- 19 projects that have come up right now.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Right.
- 21 MR. JOHNSON: In the next year or two, we should
- 22 have additional projects to spend more on funding.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Well, I guess -- I guess my
- 24 question, and, you know, any or all three of you could
- 25 probably answer is, we're looking at a variety of new

- 1 applications. My concern, and it's not an enormous
- 2 concern, but we are encumbering a million-five. Are we
- 3 limiting ourselves not knowing if we want these funds to
- 4 be directed to another kind of program between now and
- 5 '09.
- 6 TIRE MANAGEMENT BRANCH MANAGER DELMAGE: Madam
- 7 Chair, may I approach?
- 8 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Mitch?
- 9 TIRE MANAGEMENT BRANCH MANAGER DELMAGE: Mitch
- 10 Delmage, manager for the tire program.
- In the Five-Year Plan, next year, under this line
- 12 item, we have available 2.5 million. In addition to that,
- 13 we'll be going through the Five-Year Plan reallocation --
- 14 the biennial review this spring, and so we can look again
- 15 at how these funds are distributed.
- I believe, and perhaps legal can correct me if I'm
- 17 wrong, if next year we run out of projects, could that
- 18 money -- that money cannot be reallocated because it's
- 19 06/07 money; is that correct?
- 20 STAFF COUNSEL ARMSTRONG: These funds would have
- 21 to be encumbered to either a grant or contract by
- 22 June 30th, 2006. So --
- 23 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Right.
- 24 STAFF COUNSEL ARMSTRONG: So if they are
- 25 encumbered to this contract be June of -- June of '07, I'm

- 1 sorry. June of '07, then they won't be able to be
- 2 reallocated to something else after that.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you, Holly. I
- 4 understand that.
- 5 I'm wondering whether we want this one contract or
- 6 whether we want this broken up into two contracts, the
- 7 encumbered that give you a little bit more flexibility.
- 8 I'm just wondering why we're throwing all the money in one
- 9 pot. I think it seems just like it's the easier route
- 10 rather than maybe -- I don't know.
- 11 MS. PATENAUDE: The other option we have is to do
- 12 a grant program. I think the idea behind not doing grants
- 13 right now is so few people understand the material. We'll
- 14 be getting some very bizarre requests for tires and all
- 15 sorts of applications.
- 16 I think the 1.5 was allocated for civil
- 17 engineering applications, originally we thought we would
- 18 try grants and a smaller civil engineering incentives
- 19 program. And then we -- as we have been going out in the
- 20 last year, talking to more and more counties, we realized
- 21 that it just wouldn't -- it just wouldn't be subscribed.
- 22 With this application, we almost have the ability
- 23 to -- to treat this like a grant. I mean, we talk with
- 24 the county; we evaluate the projects. We see projects
- 25 that are not only just beneficial to the county, but

- 1 beneficial to us in the region.
- 2 So I think we have -- there's a number of other
- 3 projects that we didn't put down that I think we could be
- 4 involved with, that will go well beyond the \$400,000. I
- 5 know that we just found out on Thursday that BART's
- 6 talking about using this material. And so if they need
- 7 construction oversight or assistance with that, that
- 8 was -- that was something we would like. And we would
- 9 also like to talk with a number of the other light rail
- 10 facility -- I mean transit authorities throughout
- 11 California.
- 12 Now that the final report -- a lot of people will
- 13 wait for the final report before they would jump in to use
- 14 this.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: So your guess is that
- 16 we'll have enough projects in the hopper, that this isn't
- 17 going to be a problem?
- 18 MS. PATENAUDE: That's our plan. And our projects
- 19 come and go. I mean, on Friday we had another project
- 20 that would have been almost a \$500,000 project up in
- 21 Humboldt that we thought we -- I pulled the slides out
- 22 today. And we talked with them and after -- it's near the
- 23 coast. And after they saw the little fiasco with tires in
- 24 Florida, they said, "We don't want any tires near our
- coast," so we said, "Okay." I mean it's a totally

- 1 different application. It's not a reef, but it's on a
- 2 hillside, up near a scenic drive. And the County just
- 3 said, "It's not a good time for us." So I mean, that
- 4 project was here on Friday, and today it's not. And they
- 5 come and go like that.
- 6 And like I said, on Monday, the Monday before, we
- 7 didn't have a project with Caltrans. And they called and
- 8 we added this slide. So they come and go very quickly.
- 9 And once we go out and evaluate them, the current concern
- 10 is, if we work with counties, they have very short
- 11 turnarounds. I'm working with Caltrans on projects that
- 12 will be five years from now in construction, but counties
- 13 typically, "Can we build this tomorrow."
- 14 And if we have to wait for two fiscal years, then
- 15 what they will do is they'll just go back and pour dirt
- 16 into the hole and then wait for it to fail some other
- 17 time.
- 18 And so I think the idea was to treat this kind of
- 19 like a --
- 20 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Right. Well, in the
- 21 contracts -- or the allocations overlap.
- MS. PATENAUDE: Exactly.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Once you sign a contract, it
- 24 goes over when the next one will actually begin.
- MS. PATENAUDE: Correct.

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1 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I just wanted to hear you guys

- 2 respond to, are you going to use this? Is it going to be
- 3 needed? And you know, are the funds just going to revert
- 4 back because we weren't able to expend all of these or
- 5 look at allocations to other projects in this timeframe.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Madam Chair, we're very
- 7 sensitive to this need. We realize, in past years there
- 8 have been some funds from this line item that haven't
- 9 reverted. However, again, as I tried to allude in my
- 10 opening remarks, again, we feel this is a good strategy.
- 11 It's, again, a home run strategy; it's infrequent. You
- 12 know, we get the projects; there's big payoff. You know,
- 13 we see a momentum building, you know, for these civil
- 14 engineering projects, and we feel it's very desirable for
- 15 us to be ready to respond to that.
- 16 It's another agenda item, but again, just to kind
- 17 of point to the fact that, again, we are very attuned to
- 18 this issue, again, about not encumbering funds that we may
- 19 not need. That's one of the reasons I pulled the
- 20 discussion for the short-term remediation, because I
- 21 wanted to reassure myself that we had -- you know,
- 22 basically we're going to have needs for the all the funds
- 23 that we are requesting.
- 24 So in this particular situation, this is -- we
- 25 view this differently. And we feel that we need to, like

- 1 I said, be proactive, to think ahead, and be ready to
- 2 react.
- 3 So Bob, is there anything else you wanted to add
- 4 on this?
- 5 REMEDIATION & ENGINEERING TECHNICAL SERVICES
- 6 SECTION SUPERVISOR FUJII: No. Just to reiterate that, I
- 7 think the program, the way it's been run, we were
- 8 anticipating, like Stacey said, to be ready to do what --
- 9 where we were in our RAC program, which is much further
- 10 along than this program, to be giving grants to local
- 11 governments and be fully engaged in the process and
- 12 helping us promote the material. But we are not quite
- 13 there yet; we still have some work to do.
- 14 I think that our approach that we have been using
- 15 has been relatively successful. You know, we're not here
- 16 today to tell you we've got every single stitch of money
- 17 encumbered in that 1.5, but we are fairly confident that
- 18 those projects are certainly forthcoming. This provides
- 19 us a maximum flexibility to promote the Board's program in
- 20 this area. And I think it would continue to be successful
- 21 if the Board chose to go ahead and approve the contract as
- 22 it is.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you.
- 24 Any other questions?
- We have one speaker on this item.

- 1 Michael Blumenthal.
- 2 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Good morning, Madam Chair, and
- 3 Board Members. My name is Michael Blumenthal.
- 4 I'm here to add on to what was already talked
- 5 about and give a little bit different perspective of
- 6 things.
- 7 In addition to all the projects we are currently
- 8 working on, what Stacey did not mention was that the Waste
- 9 Board gave grants years ago to create five reports on use
- 10 of tire shreds in landfill applications. I know this --
- 11 I've used these reports to create a educational training
- 12 course on use of tires, for instance, in landfill
- 13 applications. Pulled it right from these reports.
- I mean, you've put the investment in these things
- 15 years ago, and you've never followed up on them. I think
- 16 one of the things I would recommend is -- well, tire is
- 17 going to landfills now, anyway -- working with the
- 18 landfills to show them that tire is coming in, and can do
- 19 more than just go into a hole in the ground. They can
- 20 still get their TIF fee. They use them on site. They can
- 21 use them for ADC; they can use them for backfill on gas
- 22 pumping systems, leachate liners.
- 23 I mean, there are five different applications, and
- 24 that would help to divert tires from the landfills from
- 25 actually going into -- going into air space to be used in

- 1 civil engineering applications. It's ready made. We
- 2 already have training courses. I would be happy to give
- 3 it to you all since you paid for it anyway. I just made
- 4 use of it. But it is certainly out there.
- 5 And since you do have 10 million tires or so going
- 6 to landfills, and they need this material anyway, and the
- 7 cost of rock is going up, cost of clean fill is going up,
- 8 it makes all the sense in the world to put together an
- 9 outreach program directed at landfill management, public
- 10 and private sector, on training them on how to use the
- 11 materials that are already on site.
- 12 Ms. Mulé?
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Michael, I think they
- 14 already are.
- MR. BLUMENTHAL: They are.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: There are a number of
- 17 landfills using them.
- 18 MR. BLUMENTHAL: They are. But certainly, I think
- 19 this can be expanded.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: As in all these
- 21 applications. That's what we are trying to do. That's
- 22 what Stacey and staff have been working so diligently on
- 23 is to develop the track record.
- MR. BLUMENTHAL: Well, I think that part of the
- 25 problem we face in here is that you have the non-invented

- 1 syndrome "hard at work." The work that's been done by
- 2 Dr. Humphrey around the country as well as all the other
- 3 universities and all the other projects out there, there
- 4 are over 200 reports out there on civil engineering
- 5 applications. All of -- with the exception of all the --
- 6 landslide and the vibration dampening, all these other
- 7 projects have been done elsewhere around the country.
- 8 Right now, we got a grant from EPA under the
- 9 Industrial Resources Council to put together a toolkit on
- 10 the use of -- our focus is on industrial byproducts, and
- 11 tire shreds are one of the interests. Byproducts, I'm
- 12 putting together a toolkit and I'm taking all of these
- 13 reports -- the Dixon Landing report, the Air Emission done
- 14 on the flying particles as part of the environmental work.
- I want to have this done by June of next year.
- 16 And we're going to start using this as a training tool.
- 17 And the irony is half of my materials are going to be
- 18 taken from here in California and yet you won't have a
- 19 defined training program that uses the same material.
- 20 What I want to suggest is for you not to treat --
- 21 not to consider the grant program as a tool to encourage
- 22 people to use tire shreds and civil engineering
- 23 applications. I think you're going to fall in the same
- 24 kind of situation you have with -- with RAC. It's being
- 25 done whether you are going to get paid for it or not.

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1 And I think in the case of civil engineering, what

- 2 I'm hearing here is that people are aware of it. They are
- 3 starting to hear more about it; they don't know that much
- 4 about it. So rather than offer them a grant to go ahead
- 5 and use this, get a training course. If they can save a
- 6 million dollars a project, \$250,000 on a project -- how
- 7 many dollars per mile, Stacey, on -- on a retaining wall?
- 8 I mean, on the lightweight backfill?
- 9 MS. PATENAUDE: We estimate a hundred thousand
- 10 dollars per a thousand feet of wall.
- 11 MR. BLUMENTHAL: This is certainly good. And if
- 12 you go to them with that kind of -- with that kind of
- 13 approach saying these are tire shreds that are going to
- 14 save you money and it's going to give you engineering
- 15 benefits that you need anyway, let me educate you on this.
- 16 And let -- let the education tool be -- be your major
- 17 thrust.
- 18 I think that would get them up and running and
- 19 then they can go buy this on the open market by
- 20 themselves, and that would help to -- to -- to drive down
- 21 some of the TIF fees. Because if it's a higher demand for
- 22 tires, they can get the money in the back end, TIF fees
- 23 can go down, supply and demand curves, we start pulling
- 24 tires -- we start diverting more tires from landfills.
- 25 I think that is a critical component -- a market

- 1 aspect of it.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you.
- 3 MR. BLUMENTHAL: I also think you have to go to
- 4 some of the county organizations. California Association
- 5 of Counties has an annual event. Go to them, have
- 6 programs there, and just keep educating them. I think
- 7 that's the most effective tool that you have right now.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you. I appreciate your
- 9 comments, Mike.
- 10 Any other questions from the Board members?
- 11 Do we have a motion?
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Madam Chair, I would like
- to move resolution 2006-208.
- 14 I just want to make sure that it says
- 15 "Consideration of the scope of work," and then at the
- 16 bottom of the resolution, under the "Now therefore it be
- 17 resolved," the titles are a little bit different.
- 18 Is there a reason for that? I just want to make
- 19 sure that --
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: I guess we can change that so it
- 21 matches the title.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: I mean, is there -- I
- 23 guess you should go to legal and find out if there's a
- 24 problem with that as it currently reads.
- 25 STAFF COUNSEL ARMSTRONG: We can -- we can modify

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- 1 it to match the title of the item.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: In both paragraphs? In both
- 3 places?
- 4 STAFF COUNSEL ARMSTRONG: Right.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Okay. So that's a 2006-208
- 6 Revised to reflect the changes that legal will make to
- 7 that resolution.
- 8 Is there a second?
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I will second that.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Okay. It's been moved by
- 11 Member Mulé and seconded by Member Petersen.
- 12 Can you call the roll?
- 13 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Mulé?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Aye.
- 15 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Petersen?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Aye.
- 17 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Brown?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Aye.
- 19 Thank you both. You will be here for the next as
- 20 well.
- Jim, next item?
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- Committee Item E, Board Item 4, is Consideration
- 24 of the Eligibility Criteria, Ranking Criteria, and
- 25 Evaluation Process for the Local Government Waste Tire

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- 1 Cleanup and Amnesty Event Grant Program.
- 2 Diane Nordstrom will make the staff presentation.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you.
- 4 Diane?
- 5 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 6 presented as follows.)
- 7 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: Good afternoon, Madam
- 8 Chair, and members of the Board.
- 9 Last year, the Board approved combining a local
- 10 government waste tire cleanup grant program and the
- 11 Amnesty Event Grant Program into one program to streamline
- 12 the grant award process. This item presents the
- 13 eligibility criteria, ranking criteria, and evaluation
- 14 process for the combined programs for the next two fiscal
- 15 years.
- 16 --000--
- 17 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: The local government waste
- 18 tire clean up program provides funding to local
- 19 governments for the removal or transport and recycling or
- 20 disposal of waste tires that have been illegally dumped
- 21 throughout their community.
- The Amnesty Event Program provides funding to
- 23 local governments for collection events, which allow
- 24 citizens to bring waste tires to convenient locations for
- 25 proper management.

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1 --000--2 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: At the May 11th, 2005, 3 Board meeting, the Board allocated \$1 million for the 4 waste tire cleanup program for both fiscal year 2006 and 5 2007, and 2007/2008; and 1,750,000 for the Waste Tire 6 Amnesty Event Program for fiscal year 2006/07; and 7 1 million for fiscal year 2007/08. 8 As of last year's grant cycle, Board staff is recommending that if one program is under-subscribed, 9 10 remaining funds may be used to fund the other program, if 11 needed. And to assure that rural jurisdictions receive 12 the adequate funding for amnesty events, staff is 13 proposing to set aside 25 percent of the funding to 14 jurisdictions located in rural counties. 15 Board staff is recommending a maximum grant award of \$50,000 dollars per site or \$200,000 per applicant for 16 waste tire cleanup projects, and a maximum amount of 17 \$25,000 per applicant and \$75,000 per joint applicant for 18 19 amnesty events. --000--20 21 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: Eligible applicants are 22 local governments which include local enforcement

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agencies, county and city departments, code enforcement

agencies, and federally recognized California Native

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American tribes.

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1 Eligible projects for the waste tire cleanup

- 2 program include the removal of waste tires along public
- 3 roadways and from sites on private property that are not
- 4 eligible for the farm and ranch grant program.
- 5 Eligible projects for waste tire amnesty events
- 6 include collections events that will allow the public to
- 7 bring their waste tires to convenient locations for proper
- 8 disposal. However, only the cost of collection,
- 9 transportation, and disposal or in use of waste tires will
- 10 be eligible for reimbursement under the amnesty program.
- 11 The applicant's staff time for oversight, public
- 12 education, and advertising costs for amnesty events will
- 13 not be eligible for -- as an expense for the grant.
- 14 --00o--
- 15 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: For the evaluation process,
- 16 Board staff is recommending that no changes be made to the
- 17 ranking criteria used to evaluate applicants for the waste
- 18 tire cleanup and amnesty event programs.
- 19 Projects for the clean up and grant -- cleanup
- 20 grant program will continue to be ranked based on their
- 21 potential threat to public health and safety and the
- 22 environment. And amnesty events will be ranked on their
- 23 cost per tire for collection, transportation, disposal, or
- 24 in-use of waste tires.
- 25 If two or more applicants have both an equal cost

- 1 per tire and a waste tire enforcement grant in place, then
- 2 the applicant that has the highest funding match for
- 3 oversite, public education, and advertisement of an
- 4 amnesty event will receive a higher ranking.
- 5 Approval of this item will also direct staff to
- 6 prepare a notice of funding availability for this fiscal
- 7 year, which will be distributed to local governments and
- 8 California Native American tribes.
- 9 This concludes my presentation.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you, Diane.
- 11 Any questions?
- 12 Gary?
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Yes, I was wondering,
- 14 in your evaluation process you have the eligibility
- 15 requirements.
- 16 Is there a recycled purchasing requirement --
- 17 recycled content purchasing requirement in this?
- 18 MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: No. They don't -- for
- 19 either program, they don't really purchase materials.
- 20 It's all cleanup and collection costs.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: There's no purchase of
- 22 anything that they do?
- MS. NORDSTROM-LAMKIN: Since we don't cover the
- 24 brochures and stuff like that, there's not a requirement,
- 25 because we don't fund that expense.

- 1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Okay.
- 2 ACTING CHIEF COUNSEL CARTER: Excuse me. Marie
- 3 Carter; senior staff counsel.
- 4 This grant is a little different from the usual
- 5 grants that you see. The Board had exempted this
- 6 particular grant program from the usual standard criteria.
- 7 And so they -- the Board did not include recycled content
- 8 products as a requirement of this program. That's not to
- 9 say that the Board couldn't do that.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I would just going to
- 11 say. Isn't there a way we could do that?
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Mr. Petersen, as Diane
- 13 mentioned, again, they're not really purchasing much here;
- 14 you know, they are cleaning up tires. So the recycled
- 15 purchasing policy is, you know, is not directly, you know,
- 16 pertinent to this particular grant program.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Thank you.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I guess, of course, on the
- 19 other hand, we're trying to encourage all jurisdictions to
- 20 have a recycled content procurement policy in place for
- 21 their office supplies or whatever. I guess it would seem
- 22 like we might want to have something like that just to
- 23 encourage all jurisdictions, that are asking for our
- 24 money, to have something like that in place.
- 25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: It's obviously Board's

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- 1 pleasure.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: What was the reason for it
- 3 being taken out in the first place, by the Board? Maybe
- 4 we need a history as to when --
- 5 (A fire drill took place.)
- 6 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Wasn't that fun? Looks like
- 7 everybody that needs to be here is here, and more.
- 8 Okay.
- 9 Why don't we start by re-calling the roll. We had
- 10 a brief fire drill to see if everybody knew where the
- 11 exits were. We'll do a quick roll call.
- 12 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Mulé?
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Here.
- 14 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Petersen?
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Here.
- 16 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Brown?
- 17 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Here.
- 18 And we are also again joined by Member Wiggins and
- 19 Peace.
- 20 And I hear whispering in the hall from Member
- 21 Danzinger.
- 22 Any ex partes to report? Nobody talked to Michael
- 23 out there?
- Mr. Lee, I think we had a question on the floor.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Yes, we did, Madam Chair.

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- 1 Let me see if I can come up with a response on
- 2 this. Both the amnesty day and the local waste tire
- 3 cleanup programs have been historically under-subscribed
- 4 programs.
- 5 A couple of years ago, in consideration of this
- 6 and other things, the Board, you know, basically decided
- 7 to simplify the grant application process. Part and
- 8 parcel of that, especially as it relates to several
- 9 tire-related programs, was the elimination of a lot of
- 10 general program criteria including the recycled content
- 11 policy as part of a scoring process. Indeed, as you
- 12 noted, the scoring for this, you know -- for this -- these
- 13 grant programs, I proposed, are relatively straight
- 14 forward.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Okay. And simple.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: And simple, yes.
- 17 So again, we think the -- the Board's direction,
- 18 as set forth, with a simplification, is being addressed
- 19 and conceded as proposed.
- 20 If there is, you know, still a desire to kind of
- 21 reconsider this, we would suggest that we would see how
- 22 the grant cycle goes for this year, see if we still
- 23 continue to be under-subscribed. And perhaps if we
- 24 aren't, then we can consider additional requirements over
- 25 and above the ones that we are suggesting, after we

- 1 have -- after we review our experience, you know, with
- 2 getting the money successfully out the door this year.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Might I suggest and see if
- 4 this appeals to the other members that are here, that
- 5 knowing of the Board's desire to have environmental
- 6 preferable purchasing policies in place, we indicate that
- 7 in this grant cycle, that the Board is desirous of each
- 8 jurisdiction having this in place and encouraging them
- 9 during the next year to work towards adopting one, because
- 10 that may be a criteria as we go forward, in future grant
- 11 cycles.
- 12 So if we can get the money out the door this year,
- 13 we actually can give them a long heads-up to work towards
- 14 an EPP policy that could be in place for an application
- 15 cycle next year, if we decide to evaluate where the grants
- 16 are and whether they were under-subscribed or over
- 17 subscribed, and then move forward with that.
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: I like the idea, Madam
- 19 Chair. We can do that.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Does that work?
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I'm all for it.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: I agree. Thank you, Madam
- 23 Chair.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: In consultation, actually,
- 25 with Member Mulé, as we walked out the door and down the

- 1 street, and over to Starbucks. So thank you for the
- 2 suggestion.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 4 The other thing, though, is that I just want to
- 5 make mention of this, that as many of you know, I had an
- 6 opportunity to work with jurisdictions directly in a
- 7 previous life. And while many jurisdictions may not
- 8 necessarily have a recycled content purchasing policy in
- 9 place, they are implementing many of those aspects of that
- 10 policy.
- 11 They -- some of them just -- some of the
- 12 jurisdictions just prefer not to have a policy in place,
- 13 but they are doing those very things that we -- that we
- 14 call EPP.
- 15 So I just want to make sure that everyone here
- 16 understands that or at least knows that, that while they
- 17 don't have a policy in place, they are -- many cities and
- 18 counties are implementing environmentally preferable
- 19 purchasing policies without having a formal policy.
- Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Thank you.
- Member Peace?
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I think that raised the
- 24 question that's come up several times on whether we want
- 25 to consider as a Board to make -- having a procurement

- 1 policy, whether there's formal or not, and other
- 2 environmental -- and encourage other environmental
- 3 practices as, you know -- in each scoring criteria, can we
- 4 make it -- consider to make it an eligible criteria across
- 5 the board? So if any of these jurisdictions want our
- 6 money, then they need to show what things are -- what
- 7 recycled content things they are buying, what are the
- 8 things that they -- environmental practices that they
- 9 are -- that they are doing, in order to apply from and
- 10 encourage this.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Well, I think that was
- 12 somewhat addressed in Mr. Lee's comments, that when we
- 13 reviewed this particular grant program, the Board
- 14 determined -- and I wasn't here, obviously. I don't know
- 15 if this was during your tenure.
- 16 Since it was under-subscribed, the criteria and
- 17 eligibility was changed in order to get this money out the
- 18 door. So we were loosening the requirements in order to
- 19 allow a higher and better use for the funds of cleaning up
- 20 the tires rather than not getting the tires cleaned up
- 21 because they didn't have an EPP or weren't able to. But I
- 22 think that's a discussion that can happen.
- BOARD MEMBER PEACE: It's been brought up in,
- 24 like, some of our other solid waste clean up programs too.
- 25 But I think the Board has come along, over the

- 1 years, that in trying to encourage these jurisdictions to
- 2 buy more recycled products, to lay more RAC rows, to do
- 3 more environmental preferable things like requiring grass
- 4 recycling or that we say, okay, you have to show that you
- 5 are doing some of these things to even apply for our
- 6 money, whether it -- like Board Member Mulé said, whether
- 7 it's a formal policy or not, they can still list out these
- 8 things that --
- 9 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: They can demonstrate their
- 10 commitment.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: They can demonstrate their
- 12 commitment to the environment to buying recycled, to then
- 13 apply for any of our money in the first place. I know
- 14 that's a bigger discussion that I would sure like to have.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Member Petersen?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I like this idea too.
- 17 Because that's what we do; that's what this is all about.
- I just have one other comment. If it's
- 19 under-subscribed, why can't we move the money over to the
- 20 reuse program? How's that?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: The tire money. It would be
- 22 nice if we could --
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Don't you think?
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Well, I think I hear Board
- 25 Member Peace articulating the argument for that.

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1 But again, if money isn't used in the program

- 2 obviously it does go back into the tire reallocation
- 3 process for use in other tire-related programs.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I was just trying to
- 5 help.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: That would be a statutory
- 7 change. Reallocation of funds. Unfortunately tire funds
- 8 have to be used on the tire programs.
- 9 Do we have a motion?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Madam Chair, I would like
- 11 to move Resolution 2006-188.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: I will second that.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: It's been moved by Member Mul
- 14 and seconded by Member Petersen.
- 15 Kristen, can you call the roll?
- 16 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Mulé?
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MULÉ: Aye.
- 18 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Petersen?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER PETERSEN: Aye.
- 20 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT GARNER: Brown?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: Aye.
- 22 Can we put that on consent and the previous item
- on consent as well.
- 24 Any other Special Waste Committee business?
- 25 Comments?

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We will adjourn to closed session of this Board 1 and -- oh, Michael --2 3 The other one is dated 2003. 4 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Oh, that was just an example. 5 Okay. Never mind. 6 CHAIRPERSON BROWN: I saw that too, and I was, like, what is this? I saw the date on it. 8 We did have a speaker. Mr. Blumenthal, did you 9 have anything you wanted to add. No? 10 Thank you. We will move to closed session at this time and 11 adjourn directly from closed session. 12 13 Thank you, all. 14 (The Board recessed into closed session.) 15 (The California Integrated Waste Management Board, Special Waste Committee meeting 16 adjourned at 3:30 p.m.) 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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